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REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.

For Representative.
GEO. W. MARTIN, Brookfield.
For County Clerk.
H. E. SYMONS, Linneus.
For Recorder.
SAM OLEAVER, Brookfield.
For Circuit Clerk.
J. N. WILSON, North Salem.
For Sheriff.
GEO. W. ANDERSON, Enterprise.
For Probate Judge.
J. T. RUBERSON, Marcelline.
For Treasurer.
JAS. T. FLEMING, Browning.
For Prosecuting Attorney.
R. S. KATHAN, Bucklin.
For Presiding Judge.
W. MOREHEAD, Meadville.
For Judge Western District.
GEO. W. ANDERSON, Laclede.
For Judge Eastern District.
THOS. HOTT, Marcelline.
For Collector.
E. T. MAHER, Brookfield.
For Assessor.
IRA FRANKS, Boomer.
For Coroner.
DR. J. W. WILLIAMS, St. Catherine.

Making an Active Campaign.

There is a fighting chance this year to wrest the second congressional district of Missouri from the hands of the democracy. Linn county people who wish to see a continuance of republican prosperity and a change in their representation in congress will vote for Ben F. Beazell, of Chillicothe.

Mr. Beazell was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, in September, 1862. He moved to Missouri in 1868 and ever since has been a resident of Livingston county. He was reared on a farm near Chillicothe and much of his active life was spent in that city. In training Mr. Beazell is well fitted for the duties of congressman, being a graduate in the classical course at Northwestern university at Evanston, Ill. He entered the field of journalism in 1895 as publisher of the Chillicothe Tribune, retiring less than a year ago.

Mr. Beazell was appointed postmaster at Chillicothe in 1898 and served for five years. During that time he secured increases in the salaries of the assistant postmaster and clerks, increased the force and the number of city carriers, witnessed the establishment of rural free delivery, had the office equipped with modern facilities for the handling of the mails and had the night service established, until the office was receiving, when he retired, sixteen thousand dollars more per year than when he took charge.

Mr. Beazell is making an active and vigorous campaign and aiding and strengthening the republican candidates in every county in the district. He deserves the loyal support of every republican and the votes of all who endorse the policies that have brought about the present prosperous condition of our people.

The Two Great Parties on Good Roads.

The legislature in 1900 submitted to the people a constitutional amendment, which was voted upon and carried. The amendment authorized the legislature to provide a tax to be used for road purposes. Later the supreme court decided it was void, leaving the state virtually without road funds, and unless a special session of the present legislature is convened, the next incoming legislature will be powerless to relieve the situation for a period of two years, as a new amendment to the constitution will have to be submitted before the present law can be properly amended.

The republican party in its platform adopted May 30th, at Excelsior Springs, declared as follows:

The improvements of the roads through the state constitutes an important subject for future legislation. The delegates here assembled stand for good roads, and the representatives of the party are pledged to aid the people of the state to obtain them.

The recent decision of the supreme court declaring void the late constitutional amendment providing for road tax creates an emergency, and

we declare it our conviction that a special session of the legislature should be convened, to provide constitutional amendments to be submitted to the people at the next general election, to the end that the next incoming legislature may provide laws for proper improvement of the public highways.

The democratic party in its platform adopted June 5th, 1906, at Jefferson City, declared as follows:

We favor good roads, and the enactment of laws that will enable the raising of an ample road fund, by which roads can be built and maintained.

Bryan a Bankrupt.

Mr. Bryan declares that his only political asset is the confidence of the people in his sincerity. A candidate for the exalted office of the presidency who has nothing but that with which to meet his liabilities to the people is a political bankrupt and the sooner he is forced permanently into the bankruptcy court of private life the better.

But is Mr. Bryan really sincere? There is much to offer on both sides of the question. A man who makes the marvelous blunders which he has committed must make them in something like a spirit of candor, and yet they have been made by adopting such time-serving issues, by employing so many of the cheap tricks of the professional trimmer, that one may well doubt if sincerity has had any part in the matter.

However, giving Mr. Bryan credit for all the sincerity which he claims, it is a small capital on which to do presidential business. A man may do any number of foolish or worse things, and yet be entirely sincere. What is necessary for a presidential candidate is public confidence in his ability and judgment—the possession of all those qualities that are involved in that much abused phrase, "safety and sanity." A man who would be president must be sane enough to be considered safe.

The American people have never had this confidence in Mr. Bryan. Otherwise they would have elected him president. We haven't much confidence in his sincerity in the matter of his latest issue. We believe he has adopted it because municipal ownership has had a considerable vogue during the past few years. Government ownership is merely the nationalization of municipal ownership, and in running for a national office "sincerity" demands an issue big enough to cover the field.

A man may "sincerely" believe that a great many things are wise and desirable if they could be put into practice, and he would be right. If fourteen billions of dollars of property could be wrested from the hands of its rightful owners by the scratch of a pen; if such a gigantic enterprise could be operated so economically as to avoid deficits, so efficiently as to avoid disasters and so honestly as to avoid scandals, then government ownership of railroads might possibly be a good thing, although there would still be serious objections to it.

But a practical question cannot be settled by wild vagaries as to "what would be nice." Mr. Bryan may be entirely sincere in believing that it would be "nice," but he is only demonstrating his political insolvency when he declares it would be practicable or wise.—Kansas City Journal.

Starving to Death.

Because her stomach was so weakened by useless drugging that she could not eat, Mrs. Mary H. Walters, of St. Clair St., Columbus, O., was literally starving to death. She writes: "My stomach was so weak from useless drugs that I could not eat, and my nerves so wrecked that I could not sleep; and not before I was given up to die was I induced to try Electric Bitters; with the wonderful result that improvement began at once, and a complete cure followed." Best health tonic on earth. 50c. Guaranteed by W. R. Barton, druggist.

DELICATE GIRLS.

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DR. GRIFFITH.

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Many who seemingly care for their children will fool along with some patent Cure All until it is too late. If headaches, a slight irregularity or a rundown condition with cold hands or feet and nervousness, it is the part of the thoughtful parent to attend to the little things to avoid big ones. They should heed nature's warnings and get the best they can, regardless of price. The best is the cheapest in this case, if it ever is in any. Let me examine your daughter if she is in poor health; let me show you letters from others that I have done work for.

Lee Love Gone.

From Albia (Iowa) Union.

On account of defective eyesight, Lee Love, one of the most faithful and worthy conductors on the C. & B. & Q., has quit railroading and gone to Laclede, Mo., where he will try farming for awhile.

Albians who have long gone up and down the road with Lee will regret this little physical disability and hope by a season of rest he will overcome it and go to railroading again. He is too good a conductor and too well informed on railroad affairs to stay in the farming business.

The family drove overland and took what household goods they wanted and they will camp and have a general good time. The best wishes of The Union and a host of friends follow them to their new home, but all hope they will return to Albia in the near future.

Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, It has pleased Divine Providence to remove from us and to call to his eternal reward our friend and neighbor, Cave A. Thompson; and

Whereas, In Neighbor Thompson this Camp recognized a strong and zealous member, an able and consistent Woodman and a true and devout brother, and one whose ardor never failed to cherish, nor zeal to promote the principles of brotherly love peculiar to our brotherhood;

Now, therefore, Be it Resolved: That we extend the sympathy and condolence of Laclede Camp No. 2412, Modern Woodmen of America, to the bereaved and stricken family of our neighbor and express to them our sincere and lasting sorrow; that we drape the Charter of our Camp in mourning for a period of sixty days, and spread upon the records of our lodge these resolutions and furnish a copy to the family of our deceased neighbor, and to THE LACLEDE BLADE for publication.

Respectfully submitted,
HARRY J. LIBBY,
J. CLAIR LOMAX,
Committee.

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